

The President was invited to a seat on the right of the Speaker, and Senators to seats prepared for them.

Roll called ; quorum present.

The two houses in joint session then proceeded to the election of public printer.

Nominations being in order, Senator Dohoney nominated, on the part of the Senate, John Cardwell, of the *Statesman*.

Senator Broughton nominated W. Richardson, of the *News*.

The Secretary of the Senate then called the roll, when the following Senators voted for Mr. Cardwell: Avinger, Ball, Dohoney, Finlay, King, Sayers, Shelley, Swift and Mr. President—9.

Those voting for Mr. Richardson were: Senators Broughton, Cole, Dillard, Ford, Flanagan, Fountain, Gaines, Henry, Tendick and Tracy—10.

Senator Word voted for Mr. Elliott.

Upon casting up the vote of the House, it appeared that Mr. Cardwell had received 57 votes ; Mr. Richardson 8 votes ; Mr. Quick 3 votes ; Mr. Brick Pomeroy 1 vote ; and Dan McGary 1 vote.

Upon telling the joint vote, it appeared that Mr. Cardwell had received 66 votes ; Mr. Richardson 18 votes ; Mr. Elliott 1 vote ; Mr. Quick 3 votes ; Brick Pomeroy 1 vote ; and Dan McGary 1 vote.

Mr Cardwell having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared by the presiding officer of the joint session duly and constitutionally elected State Printer.

On motion of Senator Shelley, the Senate then retired to its chamber.

On motion of Senator Fountain, the Secretary of the Senate was instructed to spread the proceedings of the joint session on the journals of the Senate.

On motion the Senate adjourned to 7 o'clock, A. M. next Thursday.

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, February 27, 1873. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Senator Word in the chair. Roll called.

Present—Senators Baker, Shelley, Swift, Tendick and Word—5.

Absent—Senators Avinger, Broughton, Cole, Dillard, Dohoney, Evans, Ford, Finlay, Flanagan, Fountain, Franks, Gaines, Hall, Henry, King, Latimer, Pyle, Rawson, Randle, Ruby, Saylor, Sayers, Tracy and Mr. President—25.

There being no quorum present, on motion of Senator Swift, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, February 28, 1873.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called; quorum present. Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Fisher.

Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

Senator Baker presented the petition of the citizens of Caldwell county, protesting against the passage of a hog law. Read and referred to the Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

On motion of Senator Shelley, Senator Henry was excused from attendance on the Senate for to-day.

On motion of Senator Swift, Senator Franks was excused from attendance on the Senate for to-day.

Senator Dohoney introduced a bill to be entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to organize the courts of justices of the peace and county courts, and define their jurisdiction and duties, approved May 13, 1870." Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

Senator Ball introduced a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize the County Court of Erath county to issue interest-bearing bonds, and to levy a special tax to pay for said bonds with all interest due thereon." Read first time and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Senator Ball also introduced a bill to be entitled "An act to incorporate the town of Granberry, in Hood county, Texas." Read first time and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Senator Ball also introduced a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize the County Court of Parker county to levy and collect a special tax for the term of two years,